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Message from the Director

It was a pleasure to visit SDF Centres across the country and speak to the many young Canadians interested in the field of security and defence.

It is a very busy time for the community, with an incredible range of conferences and workshops underway from coast to coast. And as you will read elsewhere in this Newsletter, we were able to send eight SDF scholars to Afghanistan for a familiarization visit in early December.

I'd like to also remind everyone that the SDF Discussion Board http://sdfdiscussionboard.ca is approaching its first year of operation. I hope you will take the time to visit this helpful tool for the exchange of ideas and announcements across the SDF community.

Aaron Hywarren
Director Public Policy

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Events & Conferences

7 January 2008
As part of its National Security Speaker Series, the Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) welcomed David M. Weinberg from the Canada-Israeli Committee (Jerusalem), speaking on "Israel's Strategic Situation: Much Better Than You Think!" For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

9 January 2008
The Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) presented "CIDA in Afghanistan", a panel with representatives Diana Youdell (returned Head of Mission, Kabul), Helene Kadi (returned Development Director, Provincial Reconstruction Team, Kandahar) and Kevin Rex (returned Development Advisor, Kandahar Airfield). For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

11 January 2008
The International Development Research Centre presented an information session with members of CIDA's Afghanistan Task Force entitled "CIDA's Afghanistan Task Force - A View From the Field." For more information please contact Francine Bouchard, 613 236-6163 ext. 2101, fbouchard@idrc.ca

University of Manitoba Political Studies Students' Conference
"Arctic Security: Challenges and Options"

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

The 24th Annual Conference of the University of Manitoba Political Studies Students will be held January 30th through February 1st, 2008 at the University of Manitoba.

This year's conference entitled "Arctic Security: Challenges and Options" will bring together eighteen speakers on six panels to explore some of the more salient contemporary challenges facing Canada's Arctic security and defence. Panels include: "Conceptualization of the Challenges Facing the Militarization of the Arctic;" "Circumpolar Affairs and International Issues;" "The New Geopolitics of the North;" "Canadian Sovereignty and National Interests;" "Defending Canada's North: Arctic Border Issues;" and, "Canadian and American Military Co-Operation in the Arctic."

A question period will follow each panel to allow audience members to interact with the presenters.

For more information, visit www.umpssc.ca

14 January 2008
The Centre for Security and Defence Studies (CSDS) Speakers Series at Carleton University presented Karen Foss, Deputy Political Director, Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team. She talked about "Canada in Kandahar: The Role of the Provincial Reconstruction Team." For more information please contact CSDSevents@carleton.ca

15 January 2008
The Graduate School of Public and International Affairs of the University of Ottawa, in conjunction with the Canadian Association for Security and Intelligence Studies, presented a roundtable entitled "The Radical Dawa in Transition: The Rise of Islamic Neoradicalism in the Netherlands". For more information please contact Professor Wesley Wark at wkwark@aol.com

Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies - 3rd Windsor Military Studies Conference

The Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies will co-chair the 3rd Windsor Military Studies Conference with Humanities Research Group, University of Windsor and the Essex and Kent Scottish Regiment. This event will talk about the First World War and will take place on 15-16 February 2008, in Windsor, ON.

- Dr. Desmond Morton, McGill University, will talk about *The Final 100 Days;*
- Dr. Geoffrey Hayes, University of Waterloo, will make a presentation on *Rethinking Vimy Ridge: 90 Years On;*
- Dr. Susan Mann, President Emeritus, York University, will present *War and the Making of Maj Margaret Macdonald in the Second World War;*
- LCol David L. Bashow, Royal Military College will address *The Canadian War Museum and the Bomber Command Controversy;*
- Maj Ron Miller, Windsor Regiment will host a panel discussion on *Current Canadian Operations.*

For more information, visit
http://www.wlu.ca/lcmsds/upcoming%20events/notices/windsor.pdf

16 January 2008
As part of its National Security Speaker Series, the Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) welcomed Anthony Seaboyer, Stiftung Wissenschaft Politik (Berlin), speaking on "National Interests and EU Security Policy." For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

16 January 2008
The Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies (LCMSDS) hosted Commander Stephen Virgin, commanding officer of HMCS *Toronto*. Commander Virgin's presentation was entitled "Recent Deployments of HMCS *Toronto* and Canada's Naval Activties Overseas." For more information please contact mbechthold@wlu.ca.

17 January 2008
The Research Group in International Security (REGIS), in collaboration with the Réseau francophone de recherche sur les opérations de paix presented Ambassador Henri-Paul Normandin, Canada's Permanent Representative to the United Nations. He chaired a discussion on the new joint UN-African Union peacekeeping mission, and the status of UN institutional reforms. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

17 January 2008
The Centre for Military and Strategic Studies (CMSS) at Calgary University presented Kris Kotarski who spoke about "Baiting the Bear; Ballistic Missile Defence Politics in Warsaw." For more information visit the CMSS web site: www.cmss.ucalgary.ca

18 January 2008
The University of Toronto, Trinity College hosts a conference entitled "Canada in the World." This conference focuses on the issue of Canadian sovereignty, including the Arctic. For more information please contact colum.grove.white@utoronto.ca

18 January 2008
The Research Group in International Security (REGIS) James Der Derian, professor of international studies and the Director of the Global Security Program at the Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University (Providence, RI). He will address "Beyond Terror: Creating a Global Security Agenda for the 21st Century." For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

21 January 2008
The Research Group in International Security (REGIS), in collaboration with the Montreal Research Group on Ethnic Conflict (MRGEC), invites Steve Saideman to present "Learning from a Short Tour of Afghanistan: Report from a Recent Trip." For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

23 January 2008
As part of its National Security Speaker Series, the Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) welcomes Wendy Gilmour, DFAIT, speaking on "The Whole of Government Approach." For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

23 January 2008
The Dalhousie Centre for Foreign Policy Studies (CFPS) presents Dr. Reginald Stuart, who will speak on "Canada-US Dispersed Relations." For more information visit www.cfps.dal.ca

24 January 2008
The Centre for Security and Defence Studies (CSDS) Speakers Series at Carleton University presents Keith Mines, Political Officer, Embassy of the United States in Ottawa. He will talk about the challenge of post-conflict stabilization in Afghanistan from an American perspective. For more information please contact CSDSevents@carleton.ca

24 January 2008
The Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies (LCMSDS) in partnership with McCrae House Lecture Series present Andrew Iarocci from the Canadian War Museum. He will talk about "The hundred days: ordinary soldiers in the 1918 victory offensives." For more information, visit www.guelph.ca/museum

24 January 2008
The York Centre for International and Security Studies (YCISS) Seminar Series presents Mark Ayyash, a doctoral candidate in Sociology, and a researcher at the York Centre for International and Security Studies. He will speak on "'In-and-Out': The Paradox of Political Violence." For more information, visit http://www.yorku.ca/yciss/

The Dalhousie Graduate Society of Political Science
3rd Annual
Graduate Student Symposium
Call for papers

Centre for Foreign Policy Studies

The Dalhousie Graduate Society of Political Science presents the 3rd Annual Graduate Student Symposium *Challenging Canada: Strategic Threats and Shared Responsibility in an Insecure World* on 14-15 March 2008 at Dalhousie University, Halifax. The keynote speakers will be Major General J.P.Y.D. Gosselin, OMM, CD, Commander of the Canadian Defence Academy and Scott Taylor, journalist and editor of *Esprit de Corps* magazine. They will examine Canada's foreign policy and security concerns in a rapidly evolving and increasingly insecure world.

The organizers welcome proposals for papers. Applications must include a bio-sketch of approximately 300 words and a paper/presentation abstract of approximately 300 words. Deadline for proposals is February 15, 2008.

To apply, or for additional information, please write to gradsym@dal.ca.

24 January 2008
The Research Group in International Security (REGIS) will host Azzédine Rakkah, invited member of CERIUM for the year 2007-2008, who will discuss violence along the Algeria / Libya oil line. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

25 January 2008
The Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) invites Ambassador Marius Grinius, former Canadian Ambassador to South Korea, to speak on "North Korea: What's Next?" For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

29 January 2008
The Conference of Defence Associations Institute will be hosting a roundtable with Colonel J.S. Labbé, Commander of the Strategic Advisory Team (SAT) in Kabul, Afghanistan. The title of Colonel Labbé's talk will be, "The Canadian Strategic Advisory Team in Afghanistan - Better Governance Through Progressive Capacity Building." For more information please contact Arnav Manchanda at projectofficer@cda-cdai.ca

30 January 2008
The Dalhousie Centre for Foreign Policy Studies (CFPS) presents Ulrich vom Hagen, who will speak on terrorism. For more information visit www.cfps.dal.ca

30 January – 1 February 2008
The Centre for Military and Strategic Studies (CMSS) at University of Calgary presents "Forced to Change: Education and Reform 10 Years After the Young Report," a three-day conference to be held at the Palliser Hotel, Calgary. For more information visit the CMSS web site: http://www.cmss.ucalgary.ca/events-news

Trudeau Centre
for Peace and Conflict Studies'
Third Annual International Conference

UNIVERSITY of TORONTO

The University of Toronto's Trudeau Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies presents the Third Annual International Conference. This event, entitled *Coordinating Chaos: Taking a Multi-Dimensional Approach to Stability Operations*, will take place on 8-9 February 2008, in Toronto, ON

A distinguished list of speakers from Canada, the US, Australia and Europe include General **Klaus Naumann**, former Chairman NATO Military Committee, MGen **Patrick Cammaert**, former Commander of UN Forces in the Congo; **Walter Clarke**, Deputy Chief of the US Embassy in Somalia; **Søren Jessen-Peterson**, Special UN Representative to Kosovo and **Jane Holl Lute**, Assistant UN Secretary General for Peacekeeping Operations.

For more information, please contact conf.director@trudeaucentre.ca

31 January 2008
Dr. Roger Sarty, of Wilfrid Laurier University will address "Forgotten Battles: Recovering the Story of Canada's Fight against the U-Boats in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, 1942-1944." For more information please contact mbechthold@wlu.ca.

4 February 2008
The Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) presents a roundtable entitled "Pakistan at a Crossroads" with Amb. (ret) Louis Delvoie. For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

6 February 2008
The Dalhousie Centre for Foreign Policy Studies (CFPS) presents Dr. David Black and Dr. Mike MacKinnon who will speak about Canada's policy towards Sudan and Darfur. For more information visit www.cfps.dal.ca

7 February 2008
The Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies (LCMSDS) hosts Colonel Bill Monfries, Royal Australian Army Educational Corps, who will provide an overview of his nation's army. For more information please contact mbechthold@wlu.ca.

7-8 February 2008
The York Centre for International and Security Studies (YCISS) is holding its Fifteenth Annual Conference entitled "Violent Interventions." Against the backdrop of recent and prospective interventions in Afghanistan, Iraq, Somalia, Lebanon, and Darfur, as well as past interventions in places such as India, Congo, Zimbabwe, and Guatemala, the 15th Annual YCISS Conference seeks to interrogate practices, processes, and perspectives of violent interventions. For more information please contact dnolan@yorku.ca

8-9 February 2008
Dalhousie University and the Halifax Branch of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs will be organizing a workshop entitled "Workshop Canada's Intervention Dilemma: Matching Interests, Objectives and Means." The group will release its conclusions as a working paper. For more information visit www.cfps.dal.ca

11 February 2008
The Research Group in International Security (REGIS) discusses: "European Security since the fall of the Berlin Wall." For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

Canadian Forces College Distinguished Visiting Professor Programme

The Distinguished Visiting Professor programme (DVP) is an opportunity for academics and professionals to spend up to one year at the Canadian Forces College (CFC), conducting research in the broad field of security and defence studies. In addition, while respecting the primacy of research and writing, the CFC Distinguished Visiting Professor is expected to participate in the daily life at the CFC, as well as the professional development of senior military and civilian employees from the Government of Canada.

The CFC Department of Defence Studies is a recognized centre of excellence in the field of security and defence studies, and our interdisciplinary faculty has a wide range of research and teaching expertise. The CFC DVP is a programme started in the 2005-2006 academic year as part of a broader CFC initiative to engage its faculty with the academic and professional communities in the security and defence studies field.

CFC DVPs will work with a number of senior officers from the Master of Defence Studies degree programme, conduct guest lectures, participate in seminars, and teach one half-term elective course on the Joint Command and Staff Programme

Individuals interested in the DVP should contact either Barbara J. Falk, Director of Academics at the CFC and Head of Department of Defence Studies, Royal Military College of Canada, or Craig Stone, Deputy Director of Academics, at 416-482-6800 extensions 6871 and 6841 respectively.

13 February 2008
The Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) is hosting a one-day workshop entitled "European Security." For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

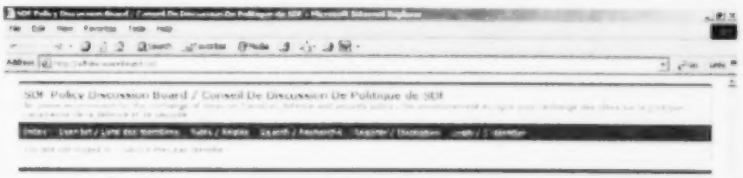
13 February 2008
The Dalhousie Centre for Foreign Policy Studies (CFPS) presents LCdr (ret'd) David Griffiths who will speak on "Adventures in Confidence Building: Preventing Incidents at Sea in Asia." For more information visit www.cfps.dal.ca

Reminder:
SDF Policy Discussion Board Up & Running

The Laurier Centre for Military, Strategic and Disarmament Studies (LCMSDS), Wilfrid Laurier University, hosts a SDF Policy Discussion Board.

The board - which is open to scholars and the public alike - serves as a useful forum to exchange views, share opinions and announce upcoming events for relevance to security and defence.

Check it out, and register, at http://sdfdiscussionboard.ca/



For more information contact mhumphri@uwo.ca.

14 February 2008
The Programme Paix et Sécurité internationale (PSI) at Université Laval is organizing a roundtable on Afghanistan. For more information please contact Félix Kuntzsch at felix.kuntzsch.1@ulaval.ca

14 February 2008
The Research Group in International Security (REGIS) will host Denis Otis, legal adviser to the Montreal office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

15-16 February 2008
The United Nations Association in Canada will stage a Northern Model United Nations, in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories. For more information, visit info@unac.org

19-20 February 2008
The Centre for Security and Defence Studies (CSDS) presents its Annual Educational Conference on World Issues for High School Students. This is a one-day event, presented in English (19 Feb) and in French (20 Feb) and hosted by the CSDS at Carleton University. It offers the chance for local Ottawa high school students to attend workshops on a variety of issues impacting the world today. For more information please contact CSDSevents@carleton.ca

21 February 2008
The Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies (LCMSDS) in partnership with McCrae House Lecture Series present Terry Copp from Wilfrid Laurier University. He will talk about "Robert Borden, Arthur Currie and Canada's War 1916-1918." For more information, visit www.guelph.ca/museum

27 February 2008
As part of its National Security Speaker Series, the Queen's Centre for International Relations (QCIR) welcomes Colonel John Fant, US Army, speaking on "The New US Africa Command." For more information, visit www.queensu.ca/cir

28 February 2008
The Centre On Values and Ethics (COVE), in collaboration with the Centre for Security and Defence Studies (CSDS) and the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre will present a conference entitled "Human Rights and the Responsibility to Protect: From Theory to Practice." This conference will be chaired by Louise Fréchette, Distinguished Fellow at the Centre for International Governance Innovation, Waterloo, Ontario. For more information please contact CSDSevents@carleton.ca

Recent and Upcoming Publications

Centre for Defence and Security Studies, University of Manitoba, *Adaptation of NATO: From the North Atlantic Treaty to Security in Pakistan.* Bison Paper, No. 11, January 2008. For more information, contact cdssum@cc.umanitoba.ca

Centre for Foreign Policy Studies, Dalhousie University. *Canadian Naval Review*, Vol. 3, No. 4, Winter 2008. For more information, contact dgprry@dal.ca.

Centre for Military and Strategic Studies (CMSS), *Journal of Military and Strategic Studies*, Vol 10, Issue 2, Winter 2008. For more information visit http://cmss.ucalgary.ca/

Chircop, Aldo, "Climate Change and the Prospects of Increased Navigation in the Canadian Arctic, "*Journal of Maritime Affairs*, 2007. For more information, contact dgprry@dal.ca.

Research Group in International Security - Workshop Invitation

Groupe d'étude et de recherche sur la sécurité internationale

Research Group In International Security

The Research Group in International Security is hosting workshop for Canadian Women in International Security. This event will take place in Montreal on 1–4 May 2008. The deadline for submissions is 6 February 2008.

For more information contact please contact Stéfanie von Hlatky, REGIS Assistant Manager at gersi@umontreal.ca

Cooper, Barry, "CFIS: A Foreign Intelligence Service for Canada," *The Canadian Defence and Foreign Affairs Institute*. For more information visit http://cmss.ucalgary.ca/

Fortmann, Michel, Marie-Joëlle Zahar and Mamoudou Gazibo. *Les conflits dans le monde 2007. Rapport annuel sur les conflits internationaux*. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

Institut québécois des hautes études internationales, "Le partenariat stratégique entre la Chine et la Russie, la poursuite d'une amitié pragmatique," *Sécurité mondiale*, No. 30. For more information visit www.hei.ulaval.ca

Lennox, Patrick, "From Golden Straight Jacket to Kevlar Vest: Canada's Transformation to a Security State," *Canadian Journal of Political Science 40*, Winter 2008. For more information, contact dgprry@dal.ca.

Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies - Call for Papers

The 19th Military History Colloquium will be cosponsored by Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies and the History Department of the University of Waterloo.

This event will take place the 1-3 May 2007 at University of Waterloo. Deadline for paper proposals is February 22, 2008.

For additional information, please visit
http://www.wlu.ca/lcmsds/conferences/notices/cfp%202008.pdf

McDonough, David, "From Guerrillas to Government: Post-conflict Stability in Liberia, Uganda and Rwanda," *Third World Quarterly*, Vol 29, No. 2, 2008. For more information, contact dgprry@dal.ca.

Mérand, Frédéric. *European Defence Policy: Beyond the Nation State*. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca
Paul, T.V. and Mahesh Shankar. "Why the US-India Nuclear Accord is a Good Deal." *Survival*, December 2007. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

Policzer, Pablo and Ram Manikkalingam, "Al-Qaida: From Centre to Periphery," *openDemocracy*, 9 October 2007. For more information visit http://cmss.ucalgary.ca/

Policzer, Pablo and Ram Manikkalingam, "Al-Qaeda, Armed Groups, and the Paradox of Engagement," *Transnational and Non-State Armed Groups: Legal and Policy Challenges Portal, Program on Humanitarian Policy and Conflict Research*, Harvard University and the Graduate Institute of International Studies at the University of Geneva, 2007. For more information visit http://cmss.ucalgary.ca/

Pouliot, Vincent. " The Logic of Practicality: A Theory of Practice of Security Communities." *International Organization*, Spring 2008. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

Shaw, Timothy. *Commonwealth: Inter- and Non-State Contributions to Global Governance*, London, Routledge, 2008. For more information, contact dgperry@dal.ca.

Von Hlatky, Stefanie. « L'Arctique en péril : vers une remise en question des enjeux de souveraineté dans le Nord », *Nortéamerica*. For more information contact gersi@umontreal.ca

SDF Operational Visit
8-20 December, 2007

Eight members of the SDF community participated in a ten day NATO/DND sponsored Afghanistan briefing program.

Those on the trip included Bob Bergen, Douglas Bland, James Fergusson, Richard Garon, David Mendeloff, Stéphane Roussel, Steven Saidman, and Allen Sens. Their were accompanied by Megan Minnion from NATO and LCdr Albert Wong from DND Public Affairs. The trip began with a day of briefings in Brussels at NATO Headquarters, which included meetings with the Secretary General, Mr. Jaap de Hoop Scheffer, and the Chair of the Military Committee, General Ray Henault.

From there, the group proceeded to Kabul, where they received briefings from senior ISAF officials, Afghan government and Afghan NGOs, including a private television network, and the Canadian Embassy.

After three days in Kabul, the group proceeded to Kandahar for briefings from senior Canadian military officials, and allies. This included an overnight visit to the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team and Forward Operating Base, where briefings included Canadian officials from Foreign Affairs, CIDA and Corrections Canada.

From the strategic down to the tactical level, the briefings were frank, detailed and insightful in providing information and discussion on the state and progress of the ISAF/Canadian mission.